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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
SUMIE SUDA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: FOGARTY, CAITLIN  
SERIAL NO: 10/550,019 :  
FILED: SEPTEMBER 23, 2005 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1793  
FOR: STEEL FOR SPRING BEING :  
EXCELLENT IN RESISTANCE TO  
SETTING AND FATIGUE  
CHARACTERISTICS

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 29, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.